

**BOLD POSITION
BY REPUBLICANS**

By Hugh W. Roberts.
Washington, Jan. 18.—Republican senators have concluded and concluded to enact the bill refunding the European debt of \$11,000,000,000 as hastily as possible, and without consideration of the opposition of Democratic senators.

Democratic senators, hopeful in the beginning that they could aid the administration in adjusting the claims of the government against nations of Europe to the end that the business world might receive the benefit of a composed situation, will be forced to oppose it. They may even resort to a filibuster. It is determined that they will delay passage until such time as full discussion might be had, for they are determined that the people shall know the situation.

In the beginning, the Democrats asked that the debt be protected. The Democratic leader, Senator Underwood of Alabama, declared on the floor that the measure, as it came power to Secretary Mellon. He declared that such power was too great from the administration, gave all to be granted any individual. In the finance committee Senator Simmons of North Carolina, ranking Democrat, endeavored to throw safeguards around the great sum of money which even were interest thereon collected would have a beneficial effect in relieving the tax burden of the American people. But the Simmons amendment was defeated by the committee.

Senator Simmons did not desire to tie the hands of Secretary Mellon. Here is all he asked for: That the maturity of the principal should not be extended beyond 25 years; that the rate of interest should not be less than 5 per cent, payable semi-annually; and that no part of the principal or interest should be canceled.

When the Simmons proposals were defeated, the North Carolinian concluded that under the terms of the bill, Secretary Mellon could charge no interest, if he so desired, or could even cancel the entire obligation. It is for such reasons that the Democrats will oppose the bill.

The senate committee in a kind of arrogance that is difficult of explanation, threw into the discard one conservative amendment enacted by the house. The house provided that the four members of the commission to be raised, who shall serve under Secretary Mellon as chairman, must be confirmed by the senate following their appointment by the president. The senate committee, without argument, struck the house amendment from the bill. Omnipotence in the disposition of \$11,000,000,000 would be conferred on the secretary of the treasury by the bill as reported to the senate.

Democrats contend that the secretary is a very able man, but that no man should be trusted with unlimited power in a matter of such transcendent importance.

**Figures Showing Growth
of Bonded Warehouses**

Washington, Jan. 19.—Figures showing the growth of the federal bonded warehouses for storing the agricultural products issued by the agricultural department, shows that 277 cotton warehouses with a capacity of 1,200,000 bales and a like number of grain warehouses, holding 14,000,000 bushels and five tobacco warehouses.

Premier Poincare's Platform

Paris, Jan. 19.—Respect for the treaties that fixed the peace terms, is Premier Poincare's platform as president of the Chamber of Deputies. He declares that shameless propaganda is responsible for the opinion abroad that France is tainted with imperialistic madness.

**Resigns After
36 Years of Service**

Washington, Jan. 19.—Dr. Hugh M. Smith has resigned as United States commissioner of fisheries after 36 years of service.

Bandits Given Ten Years Each

Augusta, Ga., Jan. 19.—Sam Rumley and Jack Harrington, who held up the Sibley Mills paymaster obtaining over \$7,000, have been sentenced to 10 years each in the penitentiary.

Notice

A stated convocation of Poinsett Chapter, No. 16, R. A. M., will be held in the Masonic Temple Friday evening, January 20th, 1922, at 7:30 o'clock.

By order,
Geo. T. Keller,
H. P.
Secretary.

Wm. C. Lake,
Secretary.

**THINKS BONUS
NOW IN SIGHT**

Washington, Jan. 18.—Senate Republicans voted today in party conference to press the allied debt refunding bill and a soldiers' bonus bill. There were disagreements as to details of the two measures and the conference adjourned until tomorrow to continue the discussion.

The vote to press the refunding bill was unanimous, but the conference divided on the bonus measure, unofficial reports giving the result as 31 for and two against, with some opponents either absent or withholding their votes. Republican leaders said, however, that the size of the majority insured passage of a bonus bill at this session.

While there was no division on the allied debt bill, it developed that the measure as reported by the finance committee met with some objection, inquiry being made especially as to the reason for the elimination of the provision requiring semi-annual payment of interest on the refunded bonds of the debtor nations. It was understood that Senator Borah of Idaho and some other Republicans were ready to join with Democratic senators in demanding that this provision be retained in the measure.

Official spokesmen for the conference took pains to make it clear that the majority of senators had declared for a bonus bill and not the particular bill which was referred back to the senate finance committee last July on the recommendation of the president. Some leaders said, however, that the measure to be reported to the senate undoubtedly would be similar to that one insofar as payment of adjusted compensation was concerned.

Most of the discussion of the bonus centered around the means of providing the necessary funds. Some senators favored a measure carrying merely an obligation against the government with payments to be made out of current receipts as money was available for the purpose, but it was said that the preponderance of sentiment was for a specific provision that the financing be done with funds derived from the sale of refunded British bonds in the United States.

sales tax or some other special form of taxation, proponents of the sales tax arguing that some such plan would be necessary to bridge the gap between the time of the passage of the bonus legislation and the time that funds from the sale of the refunded British bonds would become available. They were understood to have argued that the money from the bonds might not be available for several months or a year after the bonus bill was passed as the refunding negotiations might consume considerable time and some time might be necessary for the sale of the bonds.

A general speeding up of the work of the senate also was said to have been brought up with suggestions for day and night sessions of the finance committee.

Aside from the allied debt refunding bill and the bonus measure, the senate will have before it the four power treaty, the tariff bill and all of the annual supply measures as well as other important matters. With a congressional election next November and a warm campaign in prospect from the beginning of early summer, many members of congress wish to get away from Washington around June 1. To get through the work before by that time, the senate, senators declared, must drive ahead with full steam from this time on.

**BILLY SUNDAY
COMES TOMORROW**

Billy Sunday will speak tomorrow at the First Baptist church at 10 o'clock. The doors will be opened at 9 and nobody will be admitted before that hour. The six seats immediately in front of the pulpit will be reserved until 9:30 for the use of any elderly people who may wish to hear Mr. Sunday. There will be no other reservations. We will do our best, as far as possible, to make everybody comfortable and regret that our auditorium is not large enough to seat all who may wish to come. Mr. Sunday will take a voluntary offering for the Winoona Bible Conference.

Edw. S. Reaves,
Pastor.

**Life Termer Changed From
Bad to Good by Operation**

Chicago, Jan. 19.—There is an effort to obtain the release of Benjamin Barker, the life-terminer for murder, who changed from a bad man to a model prisoner by an operation on his brain.

**RAILROAD RATES
MUST COME DOWN**

Washington, Jan. 18.—Demands for reduced railroad rates, both freight and passenger, were made by several senators today when debate was begun on the bill of Senator Watson (Republican) of Indiana to order the railroads to issue interchangeable mileage books in 5,000 mile lots at 2 1-2 cents per mile.

Reduced rates would stimulate traffic and increase railroad revenues, Senator Cummins (Republican) of Iowa, chairman of the senate interstate commerce commission, said.

Reductions were hoped for, he added, as a result of the present rate inquiry of the interstate commerce commission.

Present rate levels, Senator Robinson (Democrat) of Arkansas said, had not only obstructed commerce but in hundreds of cases had actually stopped business. The interchangeable mileage book plan, he added, would increase passenger traffic and fill cars which the railroads, he declared, now carry half empty.

Senator Robinson spoke at length in support of the interchangeable mileage book bill, which has been urged by many organizations of traveling men and commercial bodies.

The bill was opposed by Senator Cummins, who offered a substitute authorizing the interstate commerce commission to order mileage books at a rate which would be fair and compensatory.

Congress could not say, he asserted, whether the proposed rate of 2 1-2 cents a mile would be fair. He also was trespassing on state rights, he argued, in proposing to fix a rate for interstate travel. Senator Robinson proposed that the mileage books be issued in 2,000 instead of 5,000 mile books.

Police Searching for Woman

Birmingham, Jan. 19.—The police are searching for a woman expensive ly dressed in connection with the shooting to death of Israel Heldman aged 26, whose body was found in a vacant lot with women's clothes by his side.

**Freight Rate Reduction
on Coal Advocated**

Washington, Jan. 19.—Freight rate reduction on coal is advocated before the interstate commerce commission hearing by Vice President Morrow, of the National Coal association saying the chief element is the high price of coal.

Parent-Teachers Association

The Parent-Teachers association met at Grace Methodist church Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

After an interesting talk by the president, Mrs. Sweeney, relating to the work of the past year, they resolved to do more and better work in the new year.

New officers were appointed as follows:

President, Mrs. L. L. Wagon.
Assistant president, Mrs. Ben Berry.

Recording secretary, Mrs. James Brown.

Mrs. Berry suggested we give the retired president a standing vote of thanks for her untiring aid and earnest work in the past year, which was heartily approved by the entire association. These meetings are not only for the parents and teachers but for every one interested in Sunday school work.

**Subscriptions to \$5,000
Potato Drying House**

J. H. Riley	\$500.00
Thos. McNally	100.00
P. J. Parham	100.00
Dr. J. W. Buchanan	100.00
Lewis M. Rice	100.00
J. D. Hancock	100.00
L. J. Browning	100.00
B. F. Kennedy	100.00
S. R. Garner	100.00
J. R. Charles	100.00
Mrs. Jno. R. Mathis	100.00
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J. Cohen Co.	100.00
Citizens National Bank	100.00
Macbeth Young	100.00
J. L. Bolton	500.00
Citizens National Bank	100.00
Harris-Woodward Co.	100.00
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Total \$2700.00

Unless \$5,000 is raised, no subscription will count. If you don't like a cannery, come on into a potato drying house. We need both. Both will help. The potato drying house will pay quicker dividends. Come on!

Phone No. 1 and say \$500, \$100 or \$1,000.

Anarchy Feared in Bulgaria

Sofia, Bulgaria, Jan. 19.—Anarchy is feared in Bulgaria if the orders of the Allied Council of Ambassadors to disband the army is obeyed, according to the war minister.

**GRAVE CHARGES
ARE PRESENTED**

Washington, Jan. 18.—That the American Tobacco company, the Lorillard company and the Liggett & Myers company "have each engaged in a conspiracy with numerous foreign and local jobbers' associations to keep up the price of tobacco products in the United States through the use of threats and intimidations," was made today in a report sent to the senate by the federal trade commission.

The commission alleged that the situation has existed since the year 1911, though "during the last year the relation between supply of leaf tobacco and the demand for it has resulted in such low prices for growers that tobacco farmers raised the most important types, burley and bright Southern, have formed marketing associations to sell their tobacco crops cooperatively."

Asserting these three companies were successors "of the old tobacco combination" which was dissolved under an anti-trust decree in 1911, the commission's report continued:

"There was one important successor company, namely, R. J. Reynolds Tobacco company, which refused to lend any support to these conspiracies but actively opposed them. In spite of strong pressure exerted by jobbers and tobacconists' associations, the Reynolds company stood staunchly against the practices of certain of its competitors designed to induce or force jobbers to enter and maintain price agreements and in this respect is deserving of commendation."

The three companies, the commission declared, in giving the results of an investigation, ordered under a resolution by Senator Smith (Democrat) of South Carolina, were formerly parts of the "tobacco trust" dissolved by the supreme court. The R. J. Reynolds company, the report said, was not a party to the alleged conspiracies and was commended for its opposition. The commission promised prosecutions where the evidence discloses there have been violations of law.

There was no evidence, the commission said, that the

few large buyers in dominant position and each purchased only a certain percentage of the offerings."

"Common buying agencies were used," the report said, "in reference to the purchase of tobacco, and secret purchases were made through independent dealers, while the ultimate purchasers held off the market, or practically so."

Architects Selected

Lee & Thomson, architects, of Clemson College, have been chosen architects for the new school building. The location for the building has not yet been selected. Several lots are being considered.

Subscriptions to \$5,000 Cannery

Lewis M. Rice	\$50.00
C. K. Hughes	50.00
R. M. White	50.00
F. J. McLure	50.00
W. D. Wood	50.00
Dr. Russell Jeter	50.00
J. E. Minter	50.00
R. B. Beatty	50.00
T. B. Strange	50.00
H. L. Garner	50.00
H. L. Davis	50.00
J. R. Whitmore	50.00
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Ram Berelowitz	50.00
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C. R. Lancaster	50.00
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T. B. Gault	50.00
Dr. A. P. McElroy	50.00
R. T. McMahon	50.00
George Willard	50.00
Gordon Bishop	50.00
R. T. McEhan	50.00
R. H. Harris	50.00
F. J. Parham	17.50
Dr. J. W. Buchanan	50.00
H. J. West	17.15
D. W. Hancock	17.41
Dr. W. N. Glymph	50.00
B. F. Kennedy	50.00
Goyan Austell	50.00
L. J. Browning	50.00
E. W. Stone	50.00
Mrs. Jno. R. Mathis	50.00
J. Cohen Co.	50.00
Citizens National Bank	50.00
H. C. Wilburn	50.00

Found 51 — wanted 49 more subscriptions. Who will be the next? Unless we can secure 100, no subscription will hold good. No solicitors, no sales promoters. Phone No. 1 and say "Yes."

**BANK OF NATIONS
BEING URGED**

New York, Jan. 18.—A bank of nations, with the United States as majority stockholder, an international trade "dollar" as a substitute for gold and conduct of world business on a credit instead of a cash basis were advocated by United States Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska in an address today before the American Manufacturers' Export association here.

Senator Hitchcock discussed a bill which he has introduced in the senate providing for establishing such a bank of nations with \$2,400,000,000 capital. The United States, he said, would hold \$1,300,000,000 of the stock and bankers, importers and exporters of this country another \$200,000,000, leaving the remaining \$900,000,000 to be purchased by the leading nations of the world through the president.

The United States, by virtue of its stockholders, would choose 13 of the bank's 24 directors. Headquarters would be at New York. The directors would have power to issue currency to be known as the international dollar, which would eliminate the continual shipment of gold between countries, according to Senator Hitchcock's plan.

Asserting that "credit" represents the difference between the vast business enterprises of civilized man and the insignificant operations of primitive man," Senator Hitchcock told the association that the practical collapse of national commerce is due to the fact that nations are "trying to do business for cash."

Nations, within their own boundaries, conduct nine-tenths of their business on credit, the senator said, adding that if the United States or any other nation suddenly was compelled to do business for cash there would be an enormous shrinkage of business. Business between this country and Europe has been slashed in half in a single year, he asserted, because America demands cash on delivery and Europe can not pay. Speaking of the enormous amount of gold now in the United States banks, Senator Hitchcock said:

"We ought to use it as a basis for a currency and seize this opportunity

to exchange our gold for the international dollar."

do not do this our gathering of all the gold here in the United States is worse than folly. It would be almost an international crime. We are playing dog in the manger with it. We have drawn it here and we have very much more than we are using."

**American Farm Bureau
Federation in Session**

Florence, Ala., Jan. 19.—Representatives of the American Farm Bureau Federation for the cotton-growing states and the grain belt of the Mississippi Valley are arriving here for the meeting of the Southern growth of the Farm Bureau tomorrow. The development of Muscle Shoals as affects agriculture and marketing conditions will be discussed.

Rush Lumber and Carpenters

Washington, Jan. 19.—"Please rush warship with lumber and carpenters" is the text of the message received by the state department from Joseph Johnson, minister to Liberia, saying that during a cabinet meeting the minister of foreign affairs fell through the floor into the basement of the American legation. The minister was told to have the repairs done by the natives.

Cold Wave Coming

Chicago, Jan. 19.—A cold wave is scheduled coming Eastward from the Rocky Mountains reaching far South and accompanied by snow and sleet.

**Military Rule Improves
Conditions in Mexico**

Mexico, Texas, Jan. 19.—Military rule in this mush room city is reported to have improved conditions some and netting 150 arrests. The whiskey seized was found to contain dye and 30 per cent fuel oil. Thousands of undesirables have left the city.

TODAY'S COTTON MARKET

	Open	Close
January	17.55	17.75
March	17.60	17.77
May	17.15	17.41
July	16.73	16.96
October	16.18	16.33

N. Y. Spots

18.05

Local market

17.50

**Resolutions Dealing
With Chinese Railways**

Washington, Jan. 19.—The Far Eastern committee of the Washington conference adopted two resolutions dealing with the Chinese railways and began the consideration of a status of existing commitments in China, as the last item on the Chinese agenda.

**BANK OF IRELAND
WILL MAKE LOAN**

Dublin, Jan. 18.—The Bank of Ireland has agreed to lend 1,000,000 pounds to the ministry of the Irish provisional government, it was announced today.

James McMahan, under secretary for Ireland, and A. W. Cope, assistant under secretary, spent the greater portion of the afternoon at the Mansion House, which for the present is the headquarters of the new government, presumably in consultation concerning the details of the transfer of powers, as outlined in an official statement tonight.

The new provisional government has been prompt in fixing itself in the saddle and every one of Ireland's numerous officials will learn tomorrow morning who his new official chief is. The money difficulty has been surmounted by an arrangement with the Bank of Ireland, which has agreed to a loan of 1,000,000 pounds to the provisional government.

Dublin Castle, it is reported, will be converted into a museum.

The statement of the publicity department relative to the details of the transfer shows that every government department had already come under the provisional ministry, and all persons are directed to carry on until further orders.

**"Chickens Come
Home to Roost"**

If you own an automobile, won't you invite a car full of people to accompany you to the Billy Sunday meeting Sunday afternoon? His subject will be "Chickens Come Home to Roost."

I have invited my guests and want you to join into this plan with me and help take those who could not go otherwise. Think about and take someone who has not been or could not go unless you carried them. The meeting is for men only next Sunday afternoon and a big crowd ought to go from Union.

Won't you help carry out the plan?
F. J. Parham.

"Listen Irene"

Miss Nyra Brown, prima donna with Geo. E. Wintz' new musical comedy, "Listen Irene," is said to be one of the most beautiful women on the American stage, and with that is conceded to be an actress of great merit.

**Fruit Dealer Shot
By Unidentified Man**

Philadelphia, Jan. 19.—John Vallini, a fruit dealer, was shot and killed by an unidentified man while visiting Miss Margaret Hastings, a cabaret performer.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Booth, of Columbia, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Smith yesterday.

Miss Julia Rogers, who has been the guest of Mrs. C. T. Murphy, has returned to her home in Lata.

Mrs. J. H. Crawford was called to Chesness this week on account of the serious illness of her sister.

Dr. J. S. Thrasher, who has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. Ellison, in Atlanta, for several months, has returned to his home at Jonesville. He says Union County has the best people in the world and he has decided to live here, with little visits to other places. He is well and happy and wants to meet his old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilford of Greenwood are spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Cooper. Together they are attending the Billy Sunday meetings in Spartanburg.

County Music Festival

The committee promoting the musical for the benefit of the Salvation Army has its plans made, and are arousing a great interest throughout the entire county. The date chosen is Friday, January 27th.

There will be two performances, a matinee in the afternoon and the evening performance at 8 o'clock. It is the sincere wish of the committee to have every musical center represented on the program. All persons who are willing to assist will please notify the chairman. Let this be a great "get together" occasion, musically and socially.

Further announcements will be made.
Mrs. W. T. Beatty,
Chairman.

**American Violinist
Dies in Paris**

Paris, Jan. 19.—Mrs. Thomas Stewart Ryan, a widely known American violinist as "Miss Audrey Creighton," died in the American hospital at Neuilly where she has been suffering from swallowing poison tablets.

**WOMAN TESTIFIES
IN MURDER CASE**

Concord, N. C., Jan. 18.—Testimony of O. G. Thomas, Charlotte automobile salesman, on trial here for his life in connection with the killing of Arthur J. Allen, Concord master plumber, on a dark street in Kannapolis last October 25, was directly corroborated in detail today by Mrs. Robert Lowe, prominent society woman of Kannapolis, who was with Thomas at the time of the homicide. About 30 witnesses were examined today.

Mrs. Lowe, testifying as the principal witness for the defense, excepting Thomas himself, swore that she accompanied the defendant on the night of the killing, the two riding in an automobile from the Cline boarding house, at Kannapolis, where both took meals, to Oscar Overcash's residence, Thomas telling her that he wanted to see Overcash on business. Just before they reached Overcash's they saw a small sedan car proceeding ahead of them. As they stopped in front of the Overcash house a man came back meeting them, approached the left side of the car, on which Thomas was riding and said: "Cap, are you following me?" Thomas replied in the negative, whereupon the man, whom she could not recognize, even to tell whether he was white or black, ordered, "Then throw up your hands." Thereupon Thomas seized a revolver which he had laid in her lap when they started out and fired three times at the man. Before they left the boarding house, she testified, she and Thomas both asked Mr. Cline to accompany them, but he declined. As soon as the shooting occurred she asked Thomas to take her back to the boarding house immediately, which he did.

On cross-examination, Mrs. Lowe admitted she had frequently taken rides with Thomas, having made trips with him to Charlotte, Gaston, Winston-Salem and other towns, but that she had never ridden with him at night except on the night of the killing and on the night of the last general election.

Her husband, Robert Lowe, testifying for the defense, declared that he and Thomas had been good friends, that the two families had visited each other and that he did not believe his wife had ever accompanied Thomas without Lowe's knowledge. Witnesses examined today included two dozen character witnesses, testifying to the good character of Thomas and certain important witnesses. Thomas is expected to take the stand tomorrow.

**Wholesale Prices
Remain Stationary**

Washington, Jan. 19.—The general level of wholesale prices remained stationary through November and December, the labor department announced. The December wholesale prices are 21 per cent lower than one year ago.

Entertains Music Club

Mrs. Kemper Morgan was the charming hostess of the Euterpean Music club Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. A good many visitors were present as well as a large attendance of members.

A most interesting program was carried out as follows:

Paper, Calve, In Recital—Mrs. John Morgan.

Piano Solo, Polonaise, by Moskowski—Miss Barron.

Vocal solo, Whisper and I Shall Hear—Mrs. W. T. Beatty.

Violin solo, Visions, by Dedla—Miss Ethel Hicks.

Vocal solo, Forever and a Day—Mrs. H. L. Kennedy.

Piano solo, To Spring, by Grieg—Miss Young.

A delicious sweet course was served by the hostess, assisted by Miss Sara Morgan. The next meeting will be held Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Glenmore Barron.